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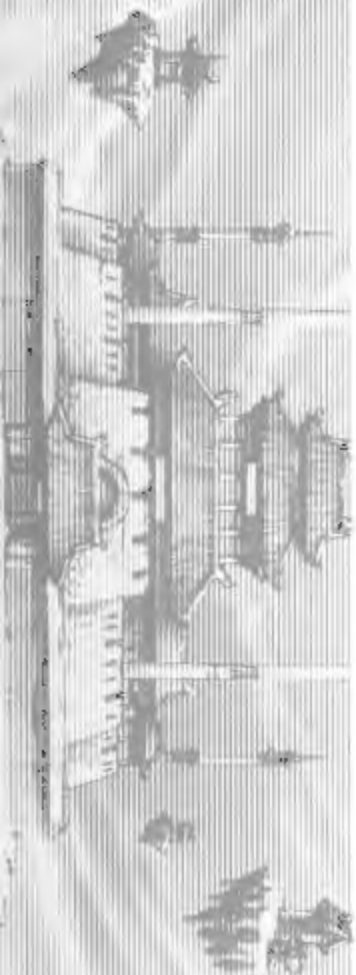

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In life, Majeh was a gifted swordsman. In death, he acts as a whimsical reaper for the King of Hell, collecting the souls of the dead to bring them to the netherworld. But when a rift opens up between Hell and Earth and evil spirits begin escaping to the mortal realm, Majeh and his human friends must hunt them down before they create hell on earth.

Majeh and company have entered the lair of the Sa Goks and find themselves fighting some unique opponents: a man who can turn his body into rock, a living human doll and a team of irresistible beauties with murder on their minds!

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KING OF HELL™

WHO THE HELL...?

MAJEH:

When he was alive, Majeh was an extremely powerful and much-feared warrior. In death, Majeh was recruited to be a collector of souls for the King of Hell. Recently, Majeh was returned to his human form in order to destroy the escaped evil spirits for the King of Hell.

CHUNG POONG NAMGOONG:

Once branded as a coward, Chung Poong left his once-respected family hoping to prove himself at the Martial Arts Tournament in Nakyang. Broke and desperate, Chung Poong tried to rob Majeh. In a very rare moment of pity, Majeh allowed Chung Poong to live...and to tag along with him. Chung Poong was recently forced to fight—and kill—his older brother, who had been kidnapped and turned into a zombie.

DOHWA BAIK:

A vivacious vixen who often dispatches enemies with poisoned needles. Dohwa joined Majeh and Chung Poong after repeatedly humiliating the hapless trio known as the Insane Hounds. Recently, she journeyed home to retrieve a powerful, but evil, whip called the Mapyun. It's a mighty weapon that few can wield without the Mapyun's dark power overtaking them, but Dohwa seems to have mastered it, which makes her a formidable fighter.

KING OF HELL:

You were expecting horns and a pitchfork? This benevolent, otherworldly ruler reigns over the souls of the dead like a shepherd tending his flock.

SAMHUK:

Originally sent by the King of Hell to spy on the unpredictable Majeh, Samhuk was quickly discovered and now—much to his dismay—acts as the warrior's ghostly manservant.

YOUNG:

A 15-year-old sword-master possessing incredible speed, he is affiliated with Mooyoung Moon--a clan of assassins 500 strong. After seeing Majeh defeat the demon-possessed master at the martial arts tournament, Young admitted he has no interest in fighting Majeh. Not yet, at any rate.

CRAZY DOG

A young warrior skilled at fighting with a club, Majeh met and fought Crazy Dog in the Martial Arts Tournament at Nakyang, where the young warrior lost his life. He was later reanimated by the villainous Dong Sa and now goes through life with the intelligence and mannerisms of a young child.

CERBERUS

The three-headed dog that guards the entrance to the Next World. Cerberus was commanded to join Majeh and his party (much to his reluctance) by the King of Hell. With his powerful attacks and knowledge of demons and the underworld, Cerberus is a mighty ally. His attitude, on the other hand, leaves something to be desired...

THE INSANE HOUNDS

A trio of dim-witted "masters" who always seem to wind up in the thick of it. The Insane Hounds frequently seem to butt heads with Dohwa, who has defeated them on numerous occasions. They were recently granted near indestructibility after they bathed in a magical pool. (And one of them peed in it.)

What the Hell...?

Hell's worst inmates have escaped and fled to Earth. Seeking recently-deceased bodies to host their bitter souls, these malevolent master fighters are part of an evil scheme that could have dire consequences for both This World and the Next World. It is believed that the escaped fiends are hunting for bodies of martial arts experts, as only bodies trained in martial arts would be capable of properly employing their incredible skills.

To make matters even more difficult, the otherworldly energy emitted by the fugitives will dissipate within one month's time... after which, they will be indistinguishable from normal humans and undetectable to those from the Next World. The King of Hell has assigned Majeh to hunt down Hell's Most Wanted and return them to the Next World...but Majeh doesn't always do exactly what he's told.

Majeh was a master swordsman in life and, in death, he serves as an envoy for the King of Hell, escorting souls of the dead to the Next World. Majeh caught Samhuk--a servant for the King of Hell--spying on him and, after making the appropriate threats, now uses Samhuk as his own servant as well.

The King of Hell has reunited Majeh's spirit with his physical body, which was perfectly preserved for 300 years. Powerful as he is, however, Majeh can't turn back time, and his thirty-day deadline is fast approaching. Already, the energy that allows him to track the fugitives is growing thin and hard to detect. So, to assist him, the King of Hell has provided Majeh with a powerful new ally: Cerberus, the three-headed dog that guards the entrance to the Next World. With his highly refined sense of smell, Cerberus could be of great assistance to Majeh, but that doesn't mean the dog was eager to tag along with him. Yet, join him he did (after some firm prodding from the King of Hell), and now Cerberus accompanies Majeh on his journey.

Along with the young, wannabe-warrior called Chung Poong Namgoong, a beautiful femme fatale named Dohwa Baik and a sword-wielding assassin named Young, Majeh and Cerberus were summoned by the martial arts master and leader of the Moorim, Mo Young. The Moorim recently sent out the well-meaning, if short-of-intellect, trio of fighters known as the Insane Hounds to locate the sinister Sa Gok organization.

However, after months on the road and no word from the Hounds, it became clear that they might be in need of some rescue, and who better than our band of heroes to do it? Joining them for this mission is a friend from the past: the young and powerful martial artist known as Crazy Dog. Unfortunately, dark magic in Crazy Dog's past has rendered him mentally unstable, and now he walks and talks with the intellect of a child.

The Insane Hounds, on their grand adventure to prove themselves as heroes, met a gang of bandits that dare questioned their abilities as martial artists. Seeing no other way to convince them otherwise, the Hounds beat them senseless. Then the leader of the bandits informed them there is an evil place near there if they would deign to go and reveal their heroic might to the evil doers. Without realizing they're being tricked, the Hounds followed him with their heads held high until they found themselves submerging in quicksand.

Meanwhile, Majeh's crew, still hot on the Hound's heels, clashed with the same gang of bandits just as they were partying celebrating their "victory" over the trio. After the leader's face was pummeled in again, Majeh and crew were led to a cave they speculate to be the entrance to the Sa Gok's headquarters. But the gatekeeper of Sa Gok, with his flesh turning into stone every time a sword strikes, seems like an impossible foe to kill...

KYAAA!
FOOL!
I'LL DESTROY YOU!

YOU'RE WEL-COME TO TRY
OK
OK
WHA--?!
WHAT'S [illegible] DOING?!

...!
THE BOY JUST GOT LUCKY, THAT'S ALL!
HOW WAS CHUNG POONG ABLE TO CUT HIM?
HMM...
HE TRANSFORMED HIS SWORD... GAVE IT A NEW ABILITY!
OUR LITTLE CHUNG POONG HAS CERTAINLY COME A LONG WAY!
HA HA HA! LUCKY?
IT CAN'T BE!
HA HA HA!
A MAN OF HIS ABILITIES DOESN'T NEED LUCK!
YOU'LL LEARN SOON ENOUGH THAT THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LUCK AND SKILL!

YESSS!
HE'S FOUND THAT CLOD'S WEAK POINT!
THAT'S RIGHT! STRONG AS HE IS...
KHK!
...HE CAN'T PETRIFY HIS ENTIRE BODY!
GAAA!

DAMN YOU!

THIS...CAN'T BE!
...!

I'LL CRUSH YOU!
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH, BOY!
KAAAAA!
!!

...!
...!
WH-WHAT?!
YOU'RE FINISHED!
NOOO!!

HE'S WON!
.....
HOW...HOW COULD THIS HAPPEN?!

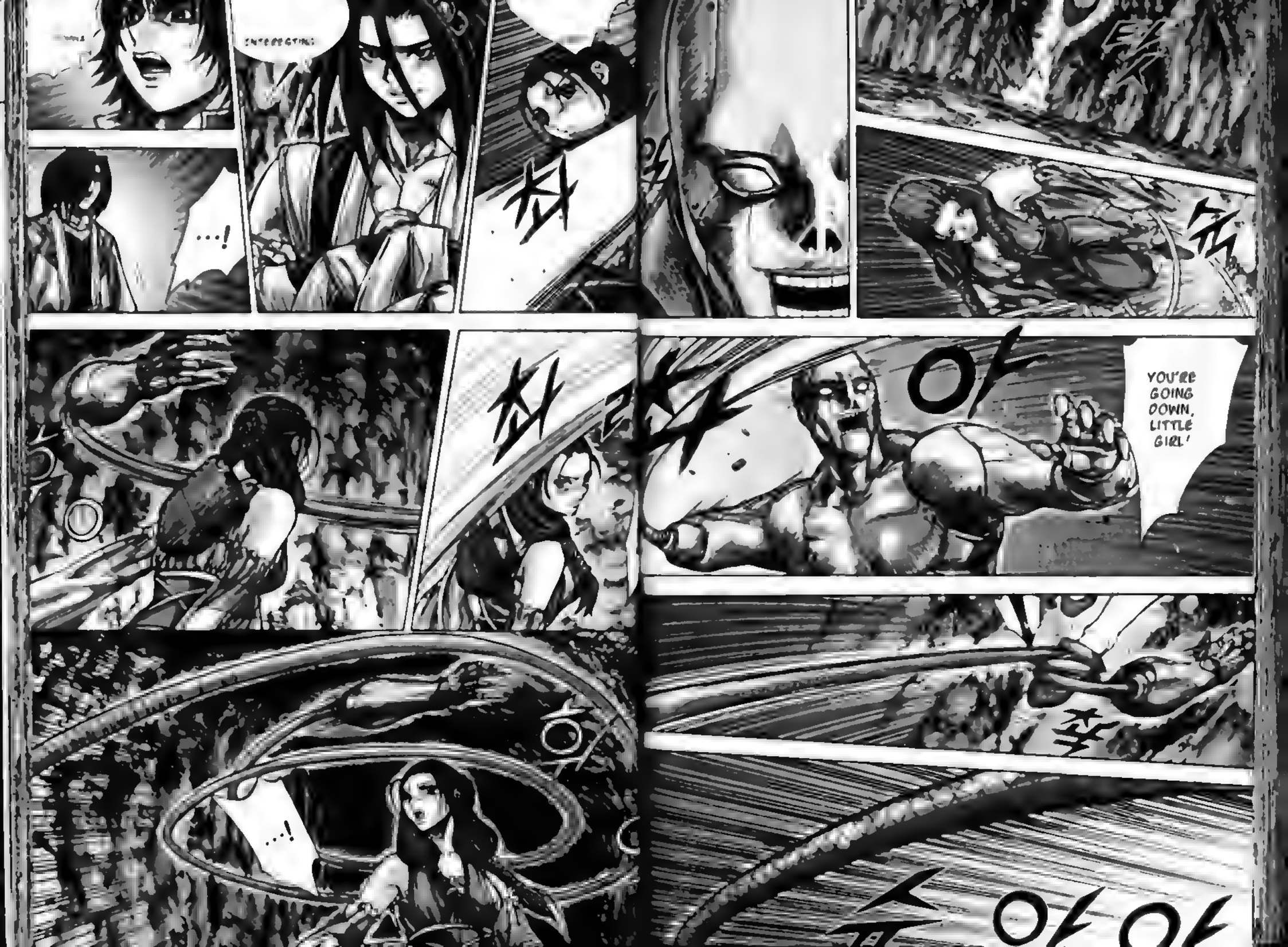
NOW IT'S YOUR TURN!
..!

HELL

TAKE HIM OUT ANY WAY YOU'D LIKE, OOHWA!
I'M AWAKE!
!
THIS WILL BE A PLEASURE, MAJEH!
HEE HEE HEE!

WH-WHAT IS HE?!
KEE KEE KEE!
...!
AN AUTO-MATON?!
IT'S SOME DEVILISH INVENTION OF THE SA GOKS!
BUT IT SURE IS CREEPY!

I WILL KILL YOU!
BUT SO AM I!
HE'S, HE'S FAST!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INTERESTING.
YOU'RE GOING DOWN, LITTLE GIRL!
...!

I SUGGEST YOU GIVE UP. THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN WIN STANDING ON ONE LEG!
HA!
HEH HEH...!

THAT THING...
...IS PIGGIN' ME OFF!
O...KAY...
I KNOW THE FEELING!
DON'T DRAG THIS ON UNNECESSARILY FINISH IT QUICKLY!
I'VE GOT A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS THING!!
THAT WORKS FOR ME, CERBERUS!
.....
WHAT'S WRONG, PUP?
SOMETHING... STINKS.
STINKS?!
DOHWA!

IS IT DANGER?!

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HMPH'
!!

TAKE THAT, YOU HEAD OF PIN
YOU WANT MORE? THAT'S FINE WITH ME!
...!
THIS ISN'T OVER YET!
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!

KEE KEE
I DON'T THINK HE FEELS ANY PAIN!
WHAT MORE WILL IT TAKE?

...!
.....
NO...
PLEASE...
DON'T
!!
...?
JUST AS I
THOUGHT...

A....JEWEL?
MORE THAN JUST A JEWEL..
...THIS IS A LIFE CRYSTAL!
WHAT IS THAT ?
...?
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF SUCH A THING
IT'S UNDERSTANDABLE THAT YOU HAVEN'T THIS CRYSTAL COMES FROM THE WEST
THE WEST ?
...
...!
SUCH A CRYSTAL CAN ONLY BE MADE BY EVIL ALCHEMISTS OF THE WESTERN REGIONS.
ARE YOU SAYING THAT PEOPLE FROM THE WEST . ARE NOW HERE?

MOST LIKELY...
AND THAT AUTOMATON OOHWA JUST DESTROYED IT WAS ANIMATED BY THAT CRYSTAL?
WHAT ...?!
...!
YES...! FOR INSIDE THE CRYSTAL...
.....
IT IS A FORM OF SORCERY MOST DETESTED BY THE KING OF HELL.
...IS THE SOUL OF A HUMAN!
THE MOMENT A SOUL IS SUCKED INTO SUCH A CRYSTAL, THAT SOUL BECOMES CONTAMINATED AND CAN NO LONGER PASS OVER TO THE NEXT WORLD TO RECEIVE HIS JUDGMENT! IN ESSENCE, IT BECOMES NOTHING MORE THAN A LUMP OF STONE THAT IS DOOMED TO OBLIVION.

HMM
BUT THE CRYSTAL CAN BE DE-STROYED, RIGHT?
YEG AND THAT WOULD BE THE BEST THING TO
THOSE SA GOK BASTARDS HAVE GONE TOO FAR NOW!

WHICH WAY DO WE GO NOW, MAJEH?
I THINK WE SHOULD SPLIT UP, CHUNG POONG.
!
WHAT?!
WHAT'S WRONG? NOT SCARED ARE YOU?
YOU KNOW I'M NOT, DAMMIT!!
ALL RIGHT! THEN LISTEN UP
DOHWA AND HOT DOG, GO SOUTH'
CHUNG POONG AND YOUNG, GO NORTH...
CRAZY DOG AND I WILL GO RIGHT THROUGH THE FRONT GATE!
OKAY
FINE.
ALL RIGHT

BIG BROTHER, IT'S TOO DARK IN HERE
DON'T WORRY IT'LL GET LIGHTER SOON
OKAY!
HUH?
Stomp
Stomp

Sign East

Sign: West

...?
살랑 살랑
WELL, AT LEAST THOSE THREE GOOF-BALLS ARE STILL ALIVE!
THEY'RE SO PRETTY...SO PRETTY!
OHHH... WHY HAVE THE ANGELS OF HEAVEN COME DOWN TO HERE, OF ALL PLACES?
HEY! WHAT'S GOT YOUR TONGUES HANGING OUT LIKE THAT?
HUH?

WHY ARE YOU GUYS HERE?
ACTUALLY WE CAME LOOKING FOR YOU
...?
...?
...?
WHAT KIND OF HEROES STAND AROUND IDIOTICALLY DROOLING OVER WOMEN?!
WE WE WERE NOT!
헙
I'VE COME TO SEE THE MARTIAL ARTS LEADER HAS WHISPERED ABOUT YOU GUYS
I'M GLAD TO SEE THE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD HAS NOT FORGOTTEN ABOUT ITS HEROES!
샤라랏
OOOH! HOW NICE!
HMPH! HEROES, MY ASS!
YOU BEGGIN' TA DIE, KID?!
PBBT!
LOOK, SISTERS, WE HAVE GUESTS!

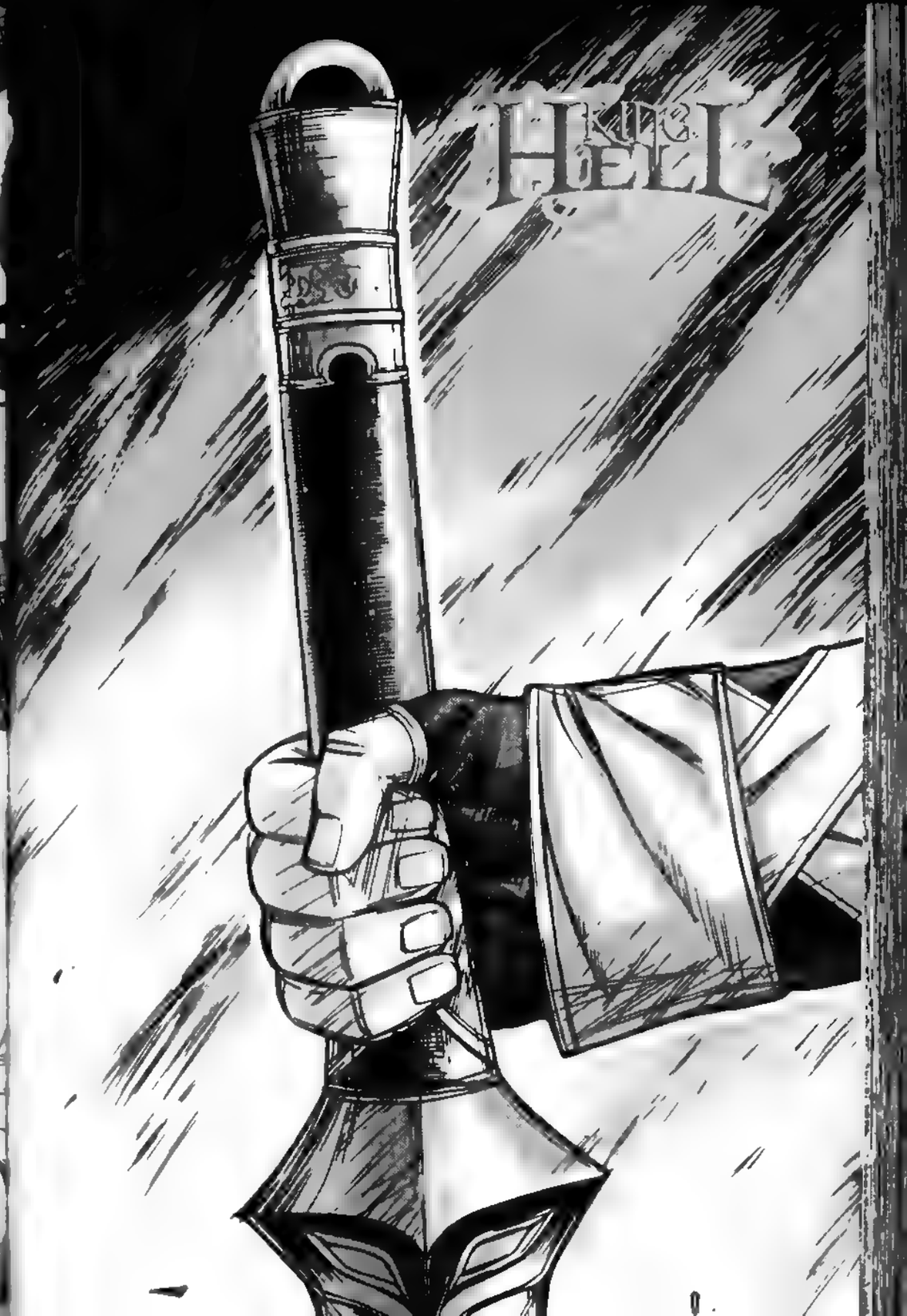
OO LA LA!
WOO HOO!!
PLEASE COME AND PLAY WITH US!
SH-SHALL WE...?
.....
HURRY COME AND PLAY WITH US
THEY'RE...SO... STUPID...
GOODNESS! WHERE DID SUCH DASHING HEROES COME FROM?
AND SO HAND-SOME!

BWA HA HA BEAUTIFUL WOMEN DO HAVE GREAT INSTINCTS. THEY REALIZED WE WERE HEROES JUST BY LOOKING AT US.
WE ARE THE HEROES WHO SAVED THE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD FROM THE EVIL SA DOKE!
OH MY!
WHY DON'T YOU TWO ADORABLE YOUNG PRINCES JOIN US, TOO?
YES, JOIN US.
MWA HA HA!
NO, THANKS.
OH MY! THERE'S NO NEED TO BE SHY!
THEY REALLY ARE IDIOTS!
JUST LOOK AT ME.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? AM I NOT BEAUTIFUL?
BEAUTI-FUL?
YES
...IN YOUR DREAMS!
TEE HEE!

HOW DARE YOU THRUST YOUR HIDEOUS LOOKS IN MY FACE?
H-HOW CAN YOU RESIST MY ENCHANTMENT?!
THAT'S CAUSE I'M A GOOD BOY, RIGHT
SEE THOSE UGLY MEAN STANDING THERE? THEY'RE VERY BAD. WE SHOULD PUN-CH THEM
YEAH?
CRAZY DOG...
DID YOU REALLY THINK I WOULD FALL FOR YOUR CHEAP PARLOR TRICKS?!
BIG BROTHER WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
IT'S A SPELL THAT HAS NO EFFECT ON AN INNOCENT CHILD LIKE YOU, CRAZY DOG
YOU HEARD THE MAN, SISTERS!
HMPH. YOU LITTLE BUGS...

I CONGRATULATE YOU ON NOT SUCCUMBING TO OUR SPELL OF ENTRANCEMENT...
...BUT THAT WON'T CHANGE YOUR FATE!
YOU'RE RIGHT--IT WON'T AND OUR FATE
...IS TO TAKE YOU DOWN!
SHALL WE BEGIN?
HOW DARE YOU TAUNT US, YOU LITTLE RUNT!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KILL THEM ALL!!
YES!
.....
. . .
BUT, FAIR MAIDEN, I LOVE YOU!
I LOVE--
HO HO! YOU FOOL!
Khk!
I'LL SEVER YOUR HEAD FROM YOUR BODY!
CONSIDER YOURSELF BLESSED TO DIE IN THE ARMS OF SUCH A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN!

DIE!
I'LL TRY TO GO EASY ON YOU UGLY OLD CRONES!
ME, TOO!
...!
WE WILL KILL YOU !!

COME DOWN, YOU LITTLE VERMIN!
BETTER WATCH YOUR HEAD, WITCH!

I NEEDN'T FEAR A CHILD!
BUT YOU SHOULD FEAR ME!
YOU PEST!
Eh
LET'S SEE HOW YOU LIKE A LITTLE FIRE!

WHAT KIND OF BEAST ARE YOU?!
!!
TIME FOR YOUR PUNISHMENT NOW!
HA! NOW YOU'RE DONE FOR!

YOU MORONIC LITTLE BRUTE! HOW DARE YOU CUT MY BEAUTIFUL FACE?
BOOM!
HUH!
AAAH!
DON'T THINK YOU CAN STOP ME, SISTER!
KLOK OK
KLOKOK

OOOH'
SHE'S RIGHT--HE IS A BRUTE!
BIG BROTHER! I PUNISHED HER! I DID GOOD, RIGHT?
HYAAA!
.....
OH, YEAH YOU, UH, DID REAL GOOD!

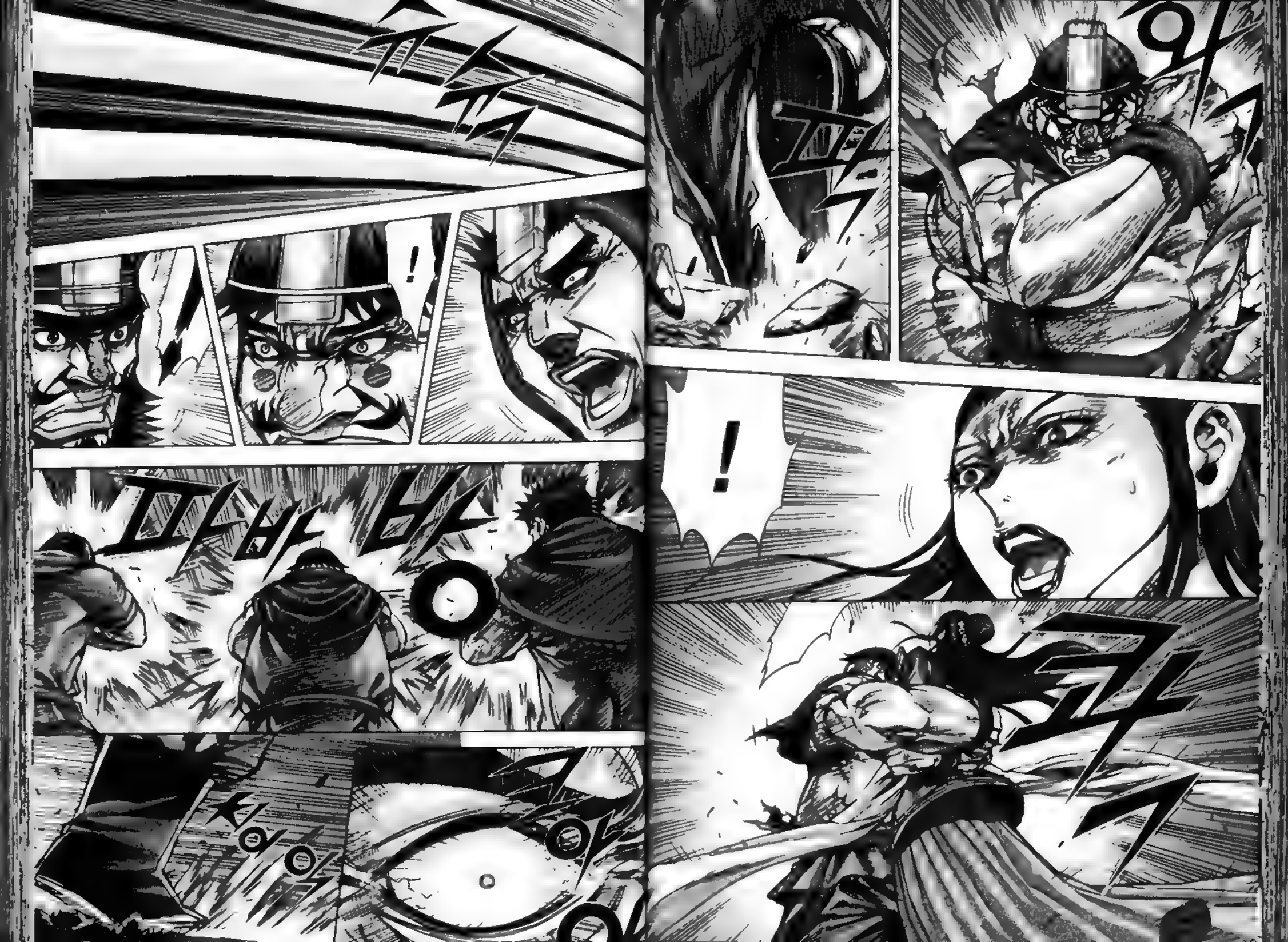
HUH...?
WHA?
EH?
WHY ARE WE LYING DOWN ON THE FLOOR?
I DON'T KNOW
OH...MY NECK! WHY IS IT TICKLING SO MUCH?
IT'S MY HEAD THAT TICKLES
FOR ME, IT'S MY CHEEK!
JEEZ, WHAT PAINS IN THE BUTT!
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE WOUNDS WE INFLICTED ON THEM?!
HEY! YOU GOOF-BALLS!
HUH?
YOU GO AROUND BRAGGING ABOUT WHAT HEROES YOU ARE, BUT JUST LOOK AT YOU! YOU'RE SO STUPID, YOU PROBABLY DON'T EVEN REMEMBER WHERE YOU ARE!
WHA... WHAT?! STUPID?!
WHY YOU LITTLE THERE!
DO YOU REALLY THINK WE'RE IDIOTS?! OF COURSE WE KNOW WHERE WE ARE!
IN-SIDE THE GA GOK HO!

RIGHT AND SINCE WE'RE IN THE SA'DON HEADQUARTERS, THEN WHO ARE THEY?
THEY MUST BE...
EH?
SA'DON WOMEN
IDIOTS...
Sigh
HOW DARE THOSE WENCHES TRICK THE INSANE HOUNDS!
YAAAAAAAAA!!
THIS IS UNFORGIVABLE!

KING

I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU CLOWNS ARE STILL STANDING BUT YOU WON'T BE FOR LONG!
IN YOUR DREAMS, FOOLS!
NOW YOU'LL FEEL OUR WRATH, WOM-EN!
HA!
MOMMY!
I GIVE UP!

HA HA HA! YOU GUYS ARE SUCH IDIOTS! LOOK AT YOU--SCARED OUT OF YOUR WITS!
!!
ATTACK!
KAAAA!!
OOWA-AAA!!
SHUT UP!
HO...!
WE ARE THE HEROES
THE THREE INSANE HOUNDS!
KILL THEM!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AAAAGH!
YAAA!
!
...!

HUMPH!
YOU PIG! WHY WON'T YOU JUST DIE?!

YOU OBVIOUSLY DON'T KNOW WHO YOU'RE DEALING WITH!
H-HOW CAN THIS BE?!
NOW IT'S YOUR TURN!

MAN, THAT GUY'S AS RUTHLESS AS CRAZY DOG! THEY MUST BE RELATED!
OH, DON'T YOU GO PASSING OUT ON ME! I'M NOT THROUGH WITH YOU YET!
KHK!
HEH HEH HEH!

HOW IS IT POSSIBLE?! THERE'S NOT A SCRATCH ON YOU!
JUST...JUST WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE?!
WHAT? YOU THINK AN INSANE HOUND CAN BE HURT BY A FLIMSY PIECE OF CLOTH?!
HELLOOO?! I THINK WE'VE ALREADY TOLD YOU? WE'RE THE HEROES WHO SAVED THE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD!
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! THERE'S NO WAY YOU MORONS COULD BE THOSE HEROES!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?! HOW...HOW DARE YOU!
COULD IT BE... YOU MERELY PRETENDED TO BE IDIOTS?!
UHH... YEAH.
THOSE CON ARTISTS ARE REALLY HONING THEIR SKILLS, AREN'T THEY?
WE ARE ALSO THE SAME INSANE HOUNDS WHO...
...OUTWITTED YOUR FELLOW SA GOK--THE ONE CALLED HYULCHUL..

YOU...YOU WERE THE ONES...?!
I-I MUST GO WARN THE OTHERS!
!
NOW IT'S YOUR TURN TO RECEIVE PUNISHMENT FOR THINKING YOU COULD ENTRANCE US WITH YOUR MEDIOCRE LOOKS!
YOU THINK I'LL JUST LET YOU RUN AWAY?
HA!
DAMN YOU!
GIVE UP, WOM-AN!
I MUST INFORM OUR LEADER!

CRAZY DOG... STOP HER!
OKAY, MAJEH!
!

HELL

AH YES HE REALLY IS QUITE THE STYLE BRUTE
투 툭
YEAH!!
퍽 퍽
FINISH

WHO'S POSING?!
YOU DO WANNA DIE, DON'CHA?!
YOU'VE LOST THE ABILITY TO FEEL FEAR, HAVEN'T YOU?

HEH HEH HEH!

HOO HOO.!
I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU CATS HAVE SUDDENLY GAINED EXTRA LIVES--AND I DON'T CARE. BUT YOU GET IN MY FACE AGAIN.

YO!

AND YOU'LL REGRET IT 'TIL THE END OF ALL OF 'EM

ENOUGH WITH THE IDIOTIC POSING...GET YOUR BUTTS OVER HERE!

CRAZY DOG?

HEH HEH GULP
WE DION'T MEAN TO SET IN YOUR FACE GIP
IT WAS JUST A MISUNDERSTANCING' THAT'S ALL' HEE HEE HEE'
HMM ALL RIGHT, THEN HERE'S WHAT I WANT YOU INSANE HOUNDS TO DO
DO YOU THINK THAT BEAST ON THE DOOR IS MEANT TO SCARE INTRUDERS AWAY, YOUNG?
HA I THINK IT'S MORE FOR THAN SCARY

WH-WHAT IS THIS PLACE ?!
!!
A PLACE OF PETRIFIED BODIES...AND WOLVES...!
GRRRR...

!
OY
DON'T FREEZE UP ON ME
UH...YEAH... SORRY ABOUT THAT, YOUNG
WHAT REMARKABLE LITTLE CHILDREN!

...!
GRRR...
BUT TELL ME, BOYS... HAVE YOU COME ALL THIS WAY JUST TO DIE?
DON'T... DON'T MAKE US LAUGH!
HA!
HMM...
AREN'T THEY
SHALL WE INFORM THE COMMANDER OF THE NORTH?
DUNNO .. DO YOU THINK THEY'RE WORTH THE TROUBLE?

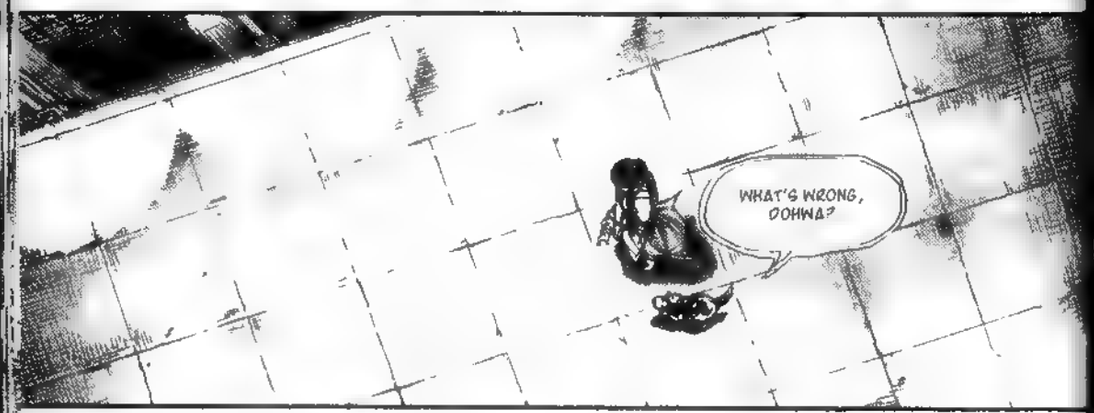
WHY DON'T WE JUST PLAY WITH THEM FOR A LITTLE WHILE AND THEN KILL THEM?
...!
HEH HEH...! FINE BY ME!
GO, MY PETS!
ENJOY YOUR MEAL!

KILL THEM!
COME ON!

WHAT A WASTE..

HYAAA!
HEH HEH! THESE LITTLE KIDDIES ARE CUTE AND DEADLY, AREN'T THEY?
HELL

AH!
HUH?


WHAT'S WRONG, OOHWA?

MY...MY HEART. IT'S RACING!

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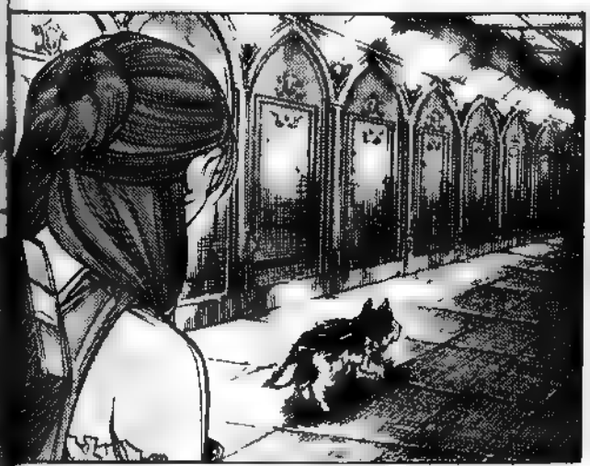
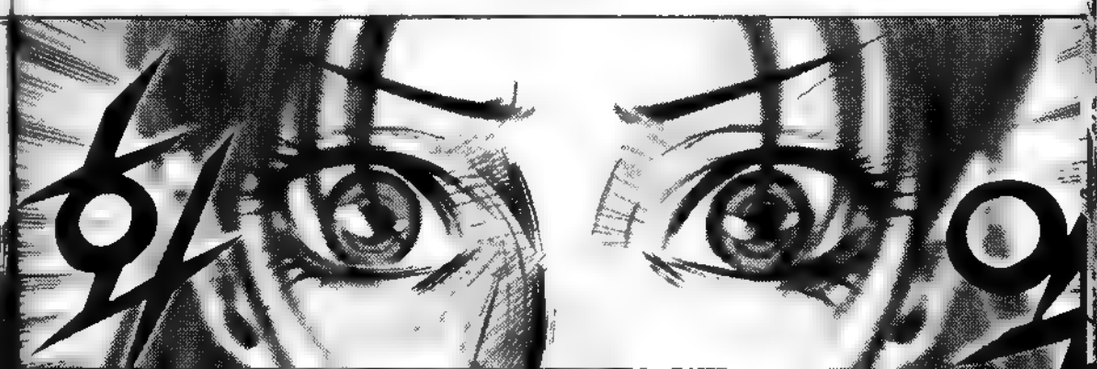
I'M SURE IT'S NOTHING. PROBABLY JUST NERVES!

ARE YOU SURE? WELL THEN, LET'S CONTINUE ON!
YES



STRANGE. I FEEL SOMETHING. AND...

...IT'S GETTING CLOSER.



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IT'S GETTING CLOSER.
WH-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
IT'S CLOSE, DOHWA...
AND GETTING CLOSER...
IT'S SO...
SO...CLOSE...
WOOF!
...!
HMM...
...UH...

DONNA! WHAT IS IT?
...!
I'M-I'M SORRY.
GET AHOLD OF YOURSELF! IT COULD BE FATAL IF YOU GET SUCKED INTO A TRANCE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS!
YES.
ALL HAIL, THE LEADER OF THE SA GOK!

OPEN THE GATE!
끼익
WELCOME BACK, MASTER!
BRING ME MY SWORD!
AS YOU COM-MAND!
아아아
아아아...!

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE SEEN YOU, DOCHJN!
I SEE YOU'VE BEEN PROPERLY DRESSED.
HE IS YOUR SWORD BEARER, SIRE SO IT COULD NOT BE OTHER-WISE!
HEH HEH...! I LIKE IT!
DOCHUN! BRING ME MY SWORD!

MASTER, LET ME FETCH IT FOR YOU!
...!
YOU'RE DOOMED.
N-NO
AAARRGH!

YAAAAA!
H-H-HELP... ME...
HE GOT WHAT HE DESERVED. DID HE THINK THAT JUST ANYONE COULD TOUCH THIS SWORD?!
EVEN I...
...TOOK 10 YEARS TO TAME IT!

THIS HAPPENED BECAUSE OF MY CARELESSNESS, SIRE! PLEASE-- KILL ME!
NO
DID YOU NOT HEAR ME, DOCHUN?!
FORGET IT, OLD MAN.
WILL YOU NOW BRING ME THE SWORD?
THANK YOU, MASTER!
DOCHUN!
...!
YOU'RE ACTING STRANGELY TODAY!

ARE YOU HIDING SOMETHING?
.....
!
WHAT SECRET ARE YOU KEEPING BEHIND THOSE SAD EYES OF YOURS?

HEH HEH HEH!
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO HIDE FROM ME?! SHOW IT TO ME!

HUH...?!
YOU ...!
I SAID, SHOW IT TO ME!
HOW DARE YOU DIS-OBEY ME!
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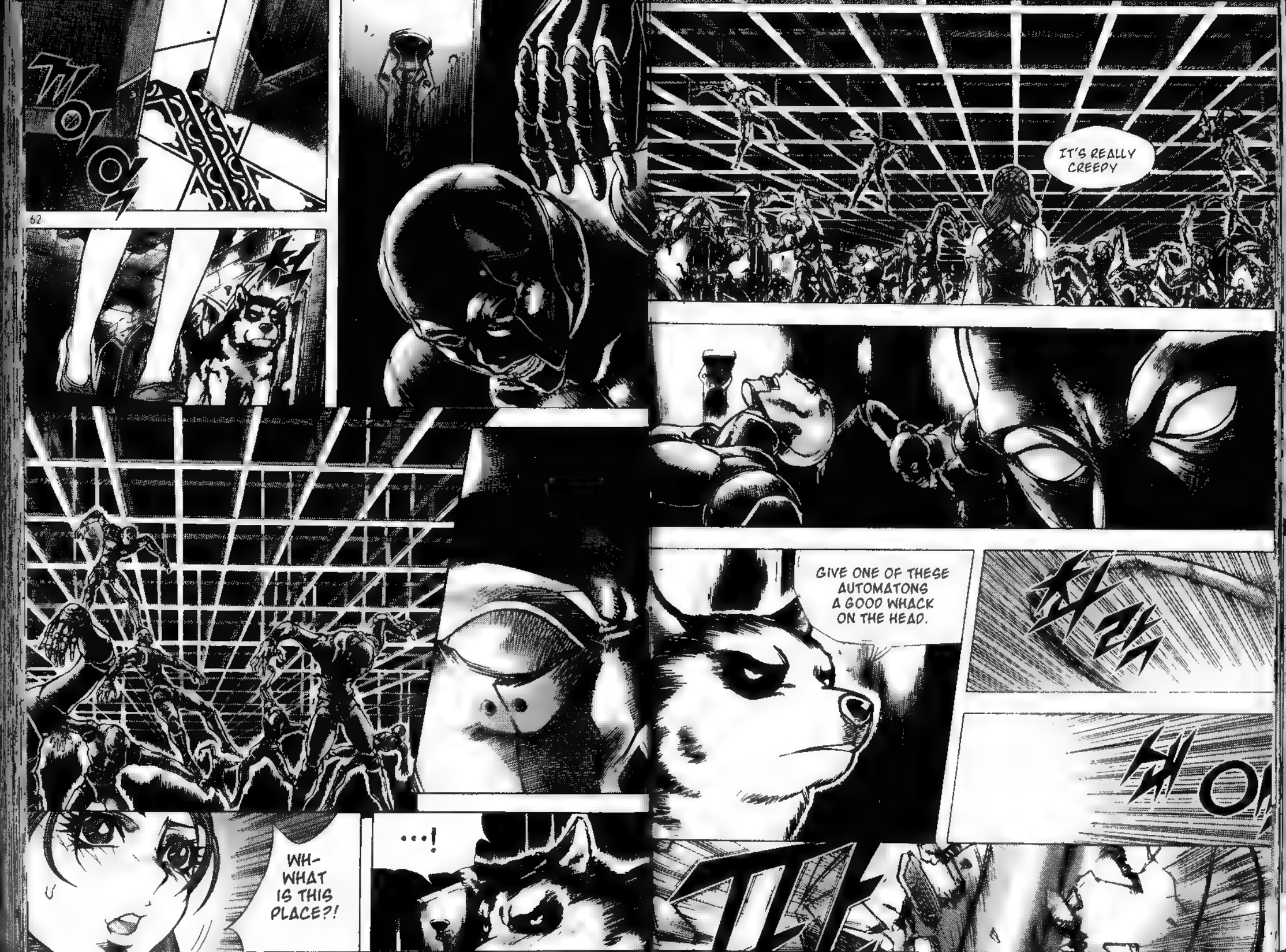
IT'S REALLY CREEPY
GIVE ONE OF THESE AUTOMATONS A GOOD WHACK ON THE HEAD.
WH- WHAT IS THIS PLACE?!
...!

THERE'S NO LIFE CRYSTAL.
DOESN'T MATTER... WE STILL MUSTN'T LET OUR GUARDS DOWN! ANY ONE OF THESE DOLLS COULD SPRING TO LIFE!
I HAVE A VERY BAD FEELING!

HMM..
SOOO...THAT DAMNED CHILD HAS RETURNED!
BUT SHE WILL NOT ESCAPE THIS TIME!
.....
HA HA HA HA HA!

COME HERE, LITTLE BOYS! I'LL GIVE YOU THE HONOR OF FIGHTING ME!
HMPH!
HE'S MINE, CHUNG POONG.
I GIVE MY PERMISSION FOR BOTH OF YOU TO ATTACK ME TOGETHER SINCE NEITHER OF YOU STANDS A CHANCE AGAINST ME ALONE!
NO... ONE OF US WILL DO JUST FINE.
HA HA! YOU IMPUDENT LITTLE BRAT!

NICELY PLAYED!
HA!
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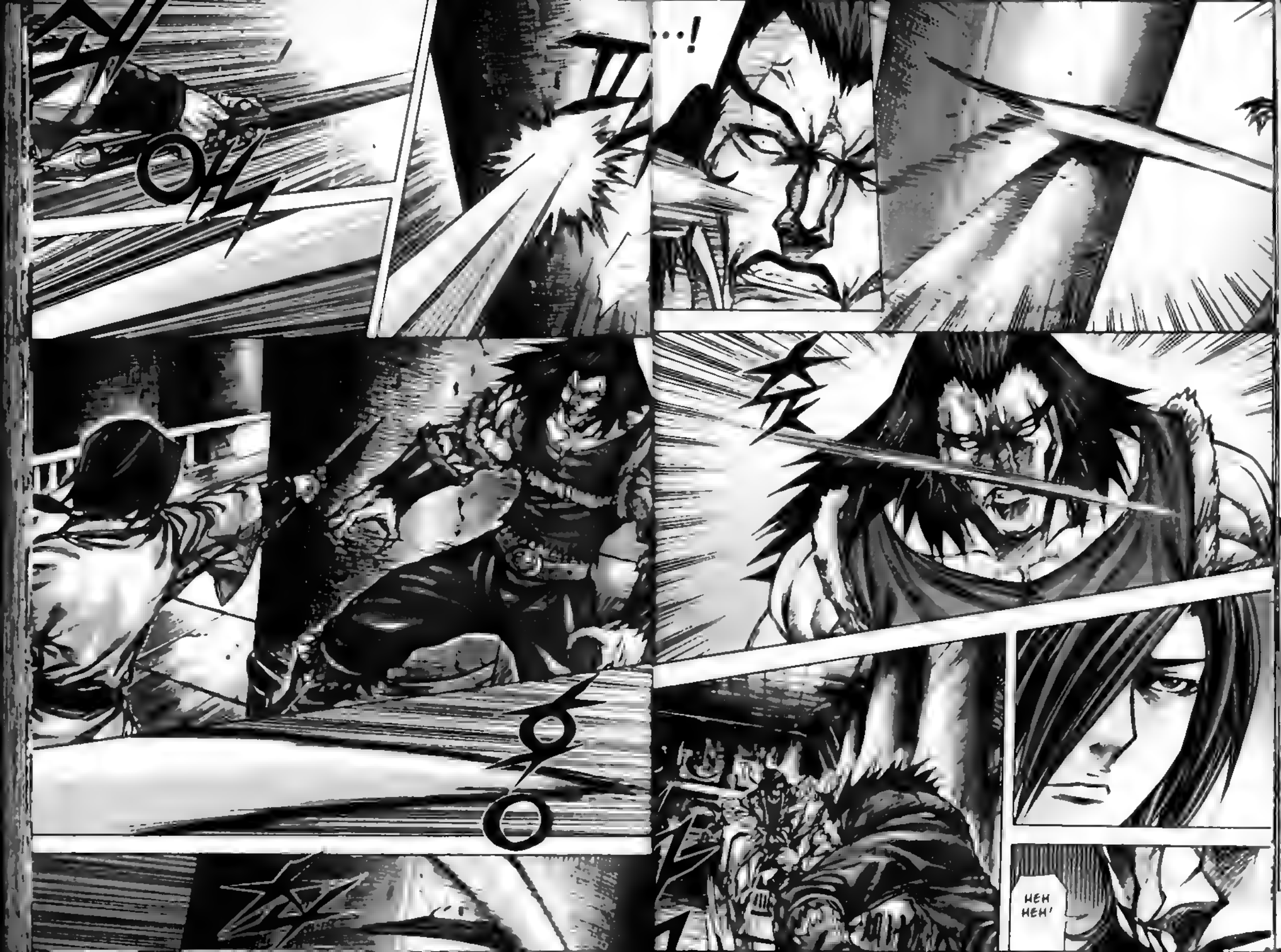
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HEH HEH'

FIRST BLOOD.
ALL RIGHT, DAMMIT!
THAT'S NO ORDINARY LITTLE BOY, BROTHER!
HMPH!
PREPARE YOURSELF FOR HELL, LITTLE BOY...
DON'T BE FOOL-ISH...
...FOR I INTEND TO MAKE YOU WALLOW IN PAIN AND TEARS!
...!
THE COMMANDER HAS GENEROUSLY GIVEN US THE POWER TO MAKE OUR BODIES STRONGER THAN NORMAL...USE THAT POWER!

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THAT'S MORE LIKE IT, BROTHER!
Grrrrrr!

TO BE CONTINUED...

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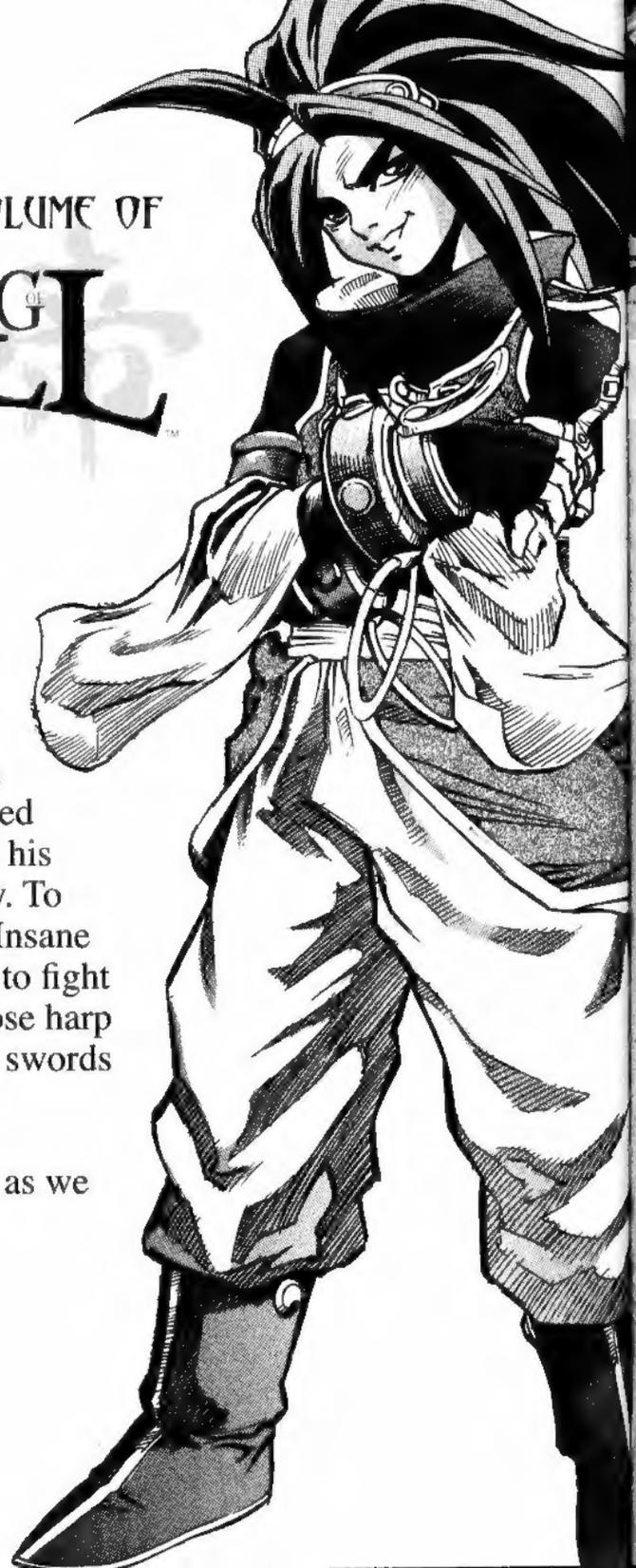

With Crazy Dog and Wolf-man duking it out on one side and Dohwa battling the automatons on the other, it seems the Sa Goks are well-prepared to take on Majeh and his friends if not an army. To Majeh's dismay, the Insane Hounds stick around to fight a female warrior whose harp is mightier than their swords combined!

The action continues as we roll out *King of Hell* Volume 20!

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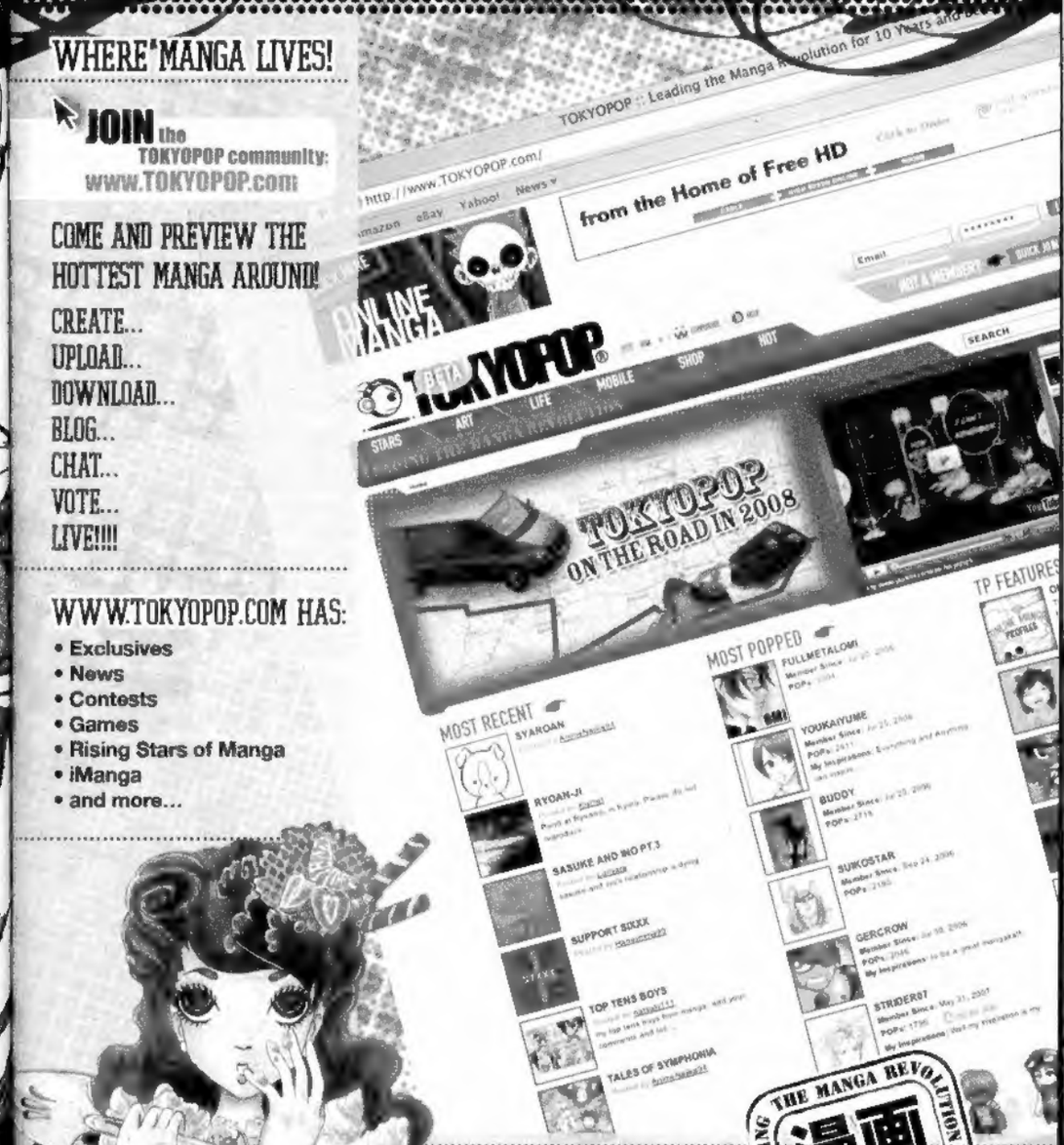

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